DELAWARE AGRICULTURAL LANDS PRESERVATION FOUNDATION

Agenda is subject to change Foundation Meeting Date: November 18, 2015, 8:30 a.m. Delaware Department of Agriculture, Conference Room Two 2320 S. DuPont Hwy., Dover, DE 19901 Phone: 302-698-4530 or 1-800-282-8685

- I. Preservation Districts
 - A. Current Situation Report Scott Blaier
 - B. Monitoring Report Milton Melendez
 - C. Young Farmers Report Austin Short
 - D. Expansion Eligibility & Final Approval
 - 1. Taylor's Organic Expansion of the Mitchell-Quillen District (K-15-10-088J) (CONTINGENT)
 - 2. Melson Expansion of the Rust District (S-15-10-034S) (CONTINGENT)
 - 3. Webb Farm Expansion of the Howard R. Young & Sons, Inc. District (S-14-12-189D)
 - 4. Fred's Corner Expansion of the Grave Runs Farms District (K-15-09-134F)
 - E. Young Farmer Loan Application Approval Vote
- II. Secretary of Agriculture's Veto
- III. Opportunity for Public Comments
- IV. Minutes
- V. Financial Highlights
- VI. Adoption of Proposed Regulations
- VII. Executive Session Pursuant to 29 Del. C. Section 10004(b)(4) the Board may go into Executive Session to obtain legal advice regarding issues

related to the adoption of proposed regulations which have the potential for litigation. The Board will not vote on any matter in Executive Session.

VIII. Adjournment

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Delaware Agricultural Lands Preservation Foundation

The Foundation will meet on November 18, 2015 at 8:30 A.M. at the Delaware Department of Agriculture, 2320 S. DuPont Highway, Dover, Delaware. The purpose of the meeting is to review applications before the Foundation, conduct other Foundation business, and take final action on the adoption of proposed regulations. With respect to the proposed regulations, copies of the Hearing Officer's Report, Exhibits (including the proposed regulations), and Transcript of the public comment session are available for review on line at

http://dda.delaware.gov/aglands/Aglands news.shtml. The Foundation, in addition to reviewing applications for the establishment of agricultural preservation districts, shall also review the following applications for agricultural preservation districts and expansions of existing agricultural preservation districts: K-15-10-0088J, Taylor's Organic Expansion of the Mitchell-Quillen District, Messicks Rd & Butler Road, Kent County; S-15-10-034S, Melson Expansion of the Rust District, Trinity Church, Smith & Buch Fever Rd, Sussex County; and S-14-12-189D, Webb Farm Expansion of the Howard R. Young & Sons, Inc. District, Appel & Webb Farm Rd, Sussex County.

The Foundation has authority to grant expansion requests, subject to a right of rejection of the Secretary of the Department of Agriculture and appeal of the decision to the Superior Court. The approval of an expansion to an existing agricultural preservation district confers the same rights and privileges to the expansion properties which are enjoyed by the existing agricultural preservation districts. Also, inclusion of an expansion to a district has impacts on landowners and land uses adjacent to the expanded district as set forth in 3 Del. C. §910.

The Board's actions in considering the adoption of proposed regulations follows the process of notice and public hearing, and the record for public comments on the proposed regulations closed on October 12, 2015. With respect to other matters, the public is invited to provide comments regarding other matters prior to the November 18, 2015 meeting. Information concerning the applications for expansion of the agricultural preservation districts is available upon request from the Foundation by contacting Rebecca Vaughn, 1-800-282-8685, or 698-4531. The applications are also available for public inspection.

The public, including adjacent landowners, are also invited to attend this meeting and provide comments regarding the applications for expansion prior to the time that the Foundation takes formal action on the applications.

Pursuant to 29 <u>Del. C.</u> § 10004(b)(4) the Board may go into Executive Session to obtain legal advice regarding issues related to the adoption of the proposed regulations which have the potential for litigation. The Board will not vote on any matter in Executive Session.

Accommodations are available for individuals with disabilities.

Persons with disabilities are encouraged to call Debbie Carey (302-698-4500) or toll free (1-800-282-8685) to request an auxiliary aid or service.